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# Agenda Item 1

#### **Executive Councillors**

Leader and Executive Councillor for Strategy and External Partnerships - Councillor Lewis Herbert

Deputy Leader (Non-Statutory) - Councillor Martin Smart

Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources - Councillor Mike Davey

Executive Councillor for Housing - Councillor Mike Todd-Jones

Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment and City Centre - Councillor Rosy Moore

Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Transport - Councillor Katie Thornburrow

Executive Councillor for Communities and Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Councillor Anna Smith

Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing - Councillor Alex Collis

# Agenda Item 2

## **Labour Group Appointment for Lead Councillors**

Anti-Poverty Strategy - Councillor Sarah Baigent

Biodiversity - Councillor Haf Davies

Climate Change - Councillor Alice Gilderdale

Community Safety - Councillor Russ McPherson

Council House Building and Redevelopment - TBC

Council House Management & Maintenance - TBC

Cycling and Walking - Councillor Dinah Pounds

Disability and access - Councillor Gerri Bird

Neighbourhood Economic Recovery – Jocelynne Scutt

Equalities and minority communities - Councillor Mairead Healy

Health and Wellbeing - Councillor Mairead Healy

Homelessness and Refugees - Councillor Jenny Gawthrope Wood

Private Sector Housing and Landlord Licensing - Councillor Patrick Sheil

Public Art - Councillor Dinah Pounds

Public Transport - Councillor Mike Sargeant

Standards - Councillor Russ McPherson

Women's Equality - Councillor Jocelynne Scutt

# **Liberal Democrat Appointments for Opposition Spokes**

Strategy and External Partnerships - Councillor Tim Bick

Open Spaces - Councillor Katie Porrer

Finance and Resources - Councillor Jamie Dalzell

Housing - Councillor Jamie Dalzell

Climate Change, Environment, Waste and City Centre - Councillor Cheney Payne

Planning Policy & Transport - Councillor Tim Bick

Communities - Councillor Cheney Payne

# **Green and Independent Group Appointments for Opposition Spokes**

Communities, Climate Change, Environment and City Centre, Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing – Councillor Hannah Copley

Planning Policy and Transport - Councillor Sam Davies

Housing - Councillor Naomi Bennett

# RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL (EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR FOR OPEN SPACES, SUSTAINABLE FOOD AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING COUNCILLOR COLLIS)

# COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO THE CONSERVATORS OF THE RIVER CAM

The three year term of office for the seven Conservators of the River Cam appointed by the City Council (four non-councillor appointments and three City Councillors) ends on 31 December 2021.

- i. The maximum term of office is 3 x three-year terms with thereafter a break period of three years before a reapplication can be made.
- ii. Appointments are made by the Council on the recommendation of the Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing

There are two councillor seats vacant. These vacancies need to be filled to enable the Conservators to undertake its business in quorate meetings (the City Council holds the majority seats, 7 out of 13).

Recruitment for the next 3 year term starting 1 January 2022 will commence in Autumn 2021.

# Accordingly, Council is recommended to:

- i. Approve the nominations of Councillors Thornburrow and Cox.
- ii. Note Councillor Sargeant's continued appointment.

Update to Committee and Outside Body Appointments

# **Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee**

(Membership - 6 Labour + 3 Lib Dem + 1 Green and Independent)

H. Davies, Healy, S. Baigent, Sweeney, O'Reilly, Sheil

Payne, Hauk, Porrer

Copley

Alternate members – Ashton, Gilderdale, Bond, S.Davies

# **Housing Scrutiny Committee**

(Membership - 6 Labour + 2 Lib Dem + 1 Green and Independent)

Bird, Sheil, Gawthrope Wood, Robertson, Gilderdale, Pounds

Dalzell, Lee

Bennett

Alternates – Sargeant, Sweeney, Page-Croft, Copley

# **Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee**

(Membership - 6 Labour + 3 Lib Dem + 1 Green and Independent)

D. Baigent, S. Smith, Scutt, Gawthrope Wood, Pounds, Sargeant

Bick, Page-Croft, Bond

S. Davies

Alternates - O'Reilly, Bird, Porrer, Bennett

# **Employment (Senior Officer) Committee**

(Membership - 4 Labour + 2 Lib Dem)

Herbert, Moore, Smith, Collis

Bick, Porrer

Alternates: S.Baigent

# **Employment Appeals Sub Committee**

(Membership - 4 Labour +2 Lib Dem)

Healy, Robertson, Sweeney, Thornburrow

Bick, Page-Croft

## **Chief Officer Performance Review**

(Membership - 4 Labour +2 Lib Dem)

Herbert, Moore, Ashton, Sheil

Bick, Payne

Alternate: Thornburrow

# **Clay Farm Advisory Group**

(Membership - 1 Labour + 1 Lib Dem)

Scutt

Cox, Hauk

# **Equalities Panel**

(Membership - 3 Labour + 2 Lib Dem)

S.Baigent, Healy, Smart

Cox, Flaubert

Alternates - Porrer

# **Joint Staff Employer Forum**

(Membership - 4 Labour + 2 Lib Dem)

Davey (Executive Councillor), Bird, Moore, Sweeney

Bick, Hauk

Alternates - Porrer

# **Brexit Advisory Group (Joint with SCDC)**

(Membership - 2 Labour + 1 Lib Dem)

A.Smith, H.Davies

Gehring

Alternates - Lee

# **Members Cycling and Pedestrian Steering Group**

(Membership - 5 Labour + 3 Lib Dem)

Robertson, Pounds, D.Baigent, Smart, Thornburrow

Dalzell, Nethsingha, Flaubert

## **Health Committee**

(Membership - 2)

Healy

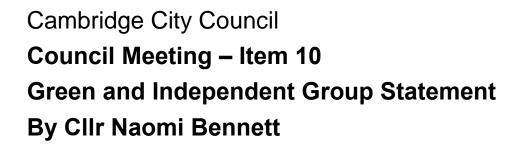
Reserve – S.Baigent

# **The Junction (Observer Status)**

(Membership - 1 Labour + 1 Lib Dem) Dryden

Lee

Agenda Item 6





Date: Thursday, 27 May 2021

**Time:** 11.00 am

Venue: Corn Exchange

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#### Introduction

The Green and Independent group will be making a written statement in lieu of a speech to allow time for an urgent motion on the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill without extending the meeting.

# **Congratulations**

We congratulate Labour on their success in the Mayoral elections, and both Liberal Democrats and Labour on their success in the County elections. We welcome the establishment of a coalition between these parties and independents, and hope that this will usher in a new era of inter party courtesy and co-operation for both the city and the county. Transport planning has suffered particularly badly in the past. We look forward to a new approach which is human-centred, evidence based, socially just and green.

# Objectives of the group

- 1 To promote equality and combat financial and social exclusion in Cambridge.
- 2 To help residents' voices be heard, understood and respected in all the operations of the city and reverse the decline in democratic participation.
- 3 To combat the existential threat of the climate and ecological emergency.

# **Action on poverty**

Even before lockdown, Cambridge was officially the UK's most unequal city. We all know the shameful statistics - the top 6% of city earners take 19% of income while the lowest paid 20% of city earners get just 2%.

During lockdown, the divide has become even more marked. While top earners have mostly continued to work from home on full pay, many of the lowest paid have fallen between the slats of covid business and financial support. Low paid workers are particularly likely to work in retail, transport and hospitality - all sectors that have been hit hard in the pandemic.

We propose to examine every major Cambridge development, such as the proposed development of the existing Anglian Water site and ask whether that development will promote the welfare of the lowest paid 20% of residents by providing accessible jobs and training and affordable housing or merely pull in workers from outside Cambridge and increase pressure on house prices, green spaces and water use.

Although pockets of poverty exist in even the most affluent Cambridge wards, it's no secret that three Cambridge wards are some of the most deprived in the country.

We therefore propose to establish an informal inequalities forum for city and county councillors and leaders of key voluntary groups in the three most deprived wards.

# **Action on democracy**

We call on all parties to work with us to encourage greater democratic participation through the forum of the area committees and particularly to promote postal voting. Given the long working days of commuters and care workers it is unrealistic to expect them to vote in person.

# Action for our planet and our survival

Cambridge was one of the first councils in the UK to declare a climate emergency. We urge you to continue to lead the way and be a beacon of best practice.

We hope you are ready to take the next step and approve Councillor Copley's motion to support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill.

## **Notes**

- 1 The Green and Independent Group was formed on 16 May 2021
- 2 Membership of the group is not restricted to a single political party.
- The founder members are:
  Hannah Copley, Green Party, Abbey Ward
  Sam Davies, Independent, Queen Edith Ward
  Naomi Bennett, Green Party, Abbey Ward
- Any queries on the group or this statement may be addressed to Naomi Bennett either at the meeting or afterwards. Contact details are given at the top of the statement.

#### **Public Questions**

1.

The new Mayor proposes to scrap CAM and call for a review of CSET. A report published in March 2021 by expert consultants i-Transport, commissioned by Stapleford and Gt Shelford Parish Councils and supported by local crowdfunding, affirms this strategy. It produced significant evidence of CSET's poor value-for-money compared with an alternative route along the existing railway corridor, which would connect our communities rather than bypass them and avoid destroying a swathe of our local greenbelt. Moreover, a tarmac road is carbon-intensive, as is the 2,000-space carpark needed at Babraham to support CSET. The latter will undermine local bus services by attracting people into their cars.

Given Cambridge City Council's stated support for doubling nature and preserving green spaces as part of its sustainability strategy for climate change, and the recent Cambridge Nature Network with its emphasis on the Magog hills, what conditions will need to be met for it to support a review of CSET in its role on the Executive Board of the GCP?'

2.

The Council should be applauded for investing in the fabric and infrastructure of Cambridge's Central Market Square. But the process so far has failed to involve meaningfully either Market Traders or the shoppers at the Market – on whom the Traders' livelihoods depend.

The content and wording of the online survey questions reveal **flawed**, **closed** and **narrow** thinking. Public views on the proposals **cannot** be fairly ascertained when basic principles of good survey design are breached again and again. This skewed survey:

- contains errors (Q8 & Q9);
- fails to offer a balanced or sensible range of responses (Q10, Q15, Q16);
- uses shamefully leading / biased wording (Q11);
- offers inadequate space/scope for a sensible reply (Q14, Q18);

- states the Project's pre-existing "aim" and "intention" (intro & Q17).

The result is not to **consult** but to **insult** the public.

QUESTION PART A): How can this be a **meaningful** consultation if the Project's <u>aim</u> & <u>intention</u> has already been established?

QUESTION PART B): What **rights/privileges** has the Council allowed versus **restrictions** imposed on US-owned 'Survey Monkey' regarding <u>Survey Monkey's use</u> of data harvested from the sensitive demographic Qs 19-32 (on mental & physical health, ethnicity, religion, sexuality, disabilities etc.)?

QUESTION PART C): At the 25/3/21 Environment & Community Scrutiny Committee, in response to questions from **both** the CMTA **and** a Market Ward Councillor, the responsible Executive Councillor indicated unambiguously that the crucialy important prototype 'demountable' stalls "will be available during the consultation" on the Market Square. Cllr Porrer noted this as "a critical issue". **Where are they**?

QUESTION PART D): Will the Council agree that this <u>badly written</u> and <u>badly timed</u> survey must now be **withdrawn**, **rewritten**, and reissued only once the crucial 'prototype stalls' are available to be fairly assessed by Traders and the public on the Market Square?

3.

How are the public supposed to reasonably respond to the Council's current consultation on the future of the market when the actual design for the market stalls has yet to be agreed. Indeed, I understand that the Council is now seeking further prototype designs from new (multiple) designers although this is not referenced in their own document.

Should the Council not delay the consultation until the stall design has been agreed in order that people can comment in a fully informed way? And, if the answer to this is "no" then why?

4.

Why is the Council consulting on a vision "to secure multi-million pound capital investment to transform the market square into a multi-functional

outdoor space" when its own consultants Quarterbridge have said that there is no commercial case for borrowing the initial capital of between £4.47 and £4.96 million? Why isn't the Council being open and honest with the public about the financial realities of a project which looks more and more like a pipe dream?

A pipe dream for which nearly £500,000 has already been spent or allocated, without even establishing the most basic aspect of feasibility: whether the demountable stalls on which the whole vision depends are sufficiently robust to meet the needs of the traders, and to withstand the weather conditions in the market square. Have any prototype stalls been commissioned yet? And what was the brief to the designers?

And why is Council tax payers' money and citizens' time being wasted on the current consultation which, in the absence of prototype stalls, is totally premature as well as being biased and misleading? Why isn't refurbishment of the market as existing even mentioned in the consultation questionnaire? And why is there nothing in or around the Market Square to tell people that the consultation is even happening?

And how can the Council claim to support the 7-day-a-week traditional market when its draft Vision is clearly focused on hot food stalls and open-air eating, to the detriment of the current mix, and most particularly the non-hot food traders who have to cope with not only smells but residues of fat and grease?

Quarterbridge suggest that to fund any vision the Council will have to apply for Lottery or other heritage grants. How long will it take, and how much more of our money and time will be wasted, before the Council finally realises that the existing traditional market is not merely a financial asset? That it has powerful health and wellbeing benefits, as well as providing incredible social value and living heritage? All these should be at the heart of any Vision for our central civic space and market square.

5.

The City Council has declared a Biodiversity Emergency. It is not the only crisis threatening us; there are climate, soil, water, air, ocean and many other crises. A flawed and perverse economic algorithm that puts growth above any consequent cost drives all these. The scientific evidence clearly shows that when you are in a crisis, fast action can prevent it getting out of control. A culture, evolved when conditions were stable, often prevents fast action, and decisions put out to consultation

create further delay. The evidence shows that culture is still driving actions in Cambridge: the Council is still using herbicide, trees are being planted in meadows, biodiverse sites are being destroyed for building projects, etc. What immediate actions will the Council take to ensure that there is no further loss of biodiversity across the City?

6.

For the process of this Cambridge Market Square Project to be honourable, fair and honest towards the hundreds and thousands of people who love and use out 1000 plus year old market certain basic levels of decent human interaction need to be in place. We know that at least 7300 people love the market because they readily supported it in the Jan 2021 petition.

With the risk of sounding a bit like good old honest Frank Skinner here, this cheating survey the project have released onto their web site is as far from human decency than we Friends of Cambridge Market have ever seen in a public consultation people are saying. If I can draw an analogy to highlight the lack of fairness, If you had an orange, an apple and a banana and needed a room full of people to 'choose' one, say the banana, you would get the result you needed if you put the apple and pear on the shelf out the way and held up the banana saying 'which one do you choose?'.....

This is what is happening in this survey.

We think there should be 3 options for market users to be able to choose from .

- a. The Concept design proposals for a flexi space of the entire SQ.
- b. A renovation of the existing fixed stall market with substantial improvements as set in some points in the concept design plan. plan.
- c. A third middle way between the two with half the stalls remaining fixed for those businesses that need this for their business continuity. Please see our market traders evidence of this in our archive on lifeoncambridgemarket.com, A Day in the Life of a Market Trader.

The market square proposals stated that one of the key design proposals is for new demountable stalls and this is the only option cited in the survey. The traders are saying they need durable market stalls, which meet their needs. The traders are trying to say this to the Project: that no type of demountable market stall would be suitable for their businesses, and would not meet their needs.

Could the executive please clarify with the Project developers and explain to the Market Community how this can be a key design proposal if the market traders are not in agreement with the use of demountable stalls as they are incompatible with their businesses? Could the executive also confirm with that if a trial period is undertaken, and the market traders find that the stalls trialled are not suitable for their business, that the renovations/refurbishments will proceed with non-demountable stalls so that the traders affected can continue their businesses?

Please can the Executive withdraw this deeply flawed survey, amend it and re-issue for the decent people in this great city to be able to partake in with the sense of dignity they deserve.

How can the results of the stall trial be included in the public consultation if the trial isn't due to finish until after next winter?

7.

Residents are expressing concerns about the environmental impact of the Big Wheel which has been erected on Parker's Piece. This public open space is enjoyed by thousands of city residents many of whom have very limited access to other green space in the city. This is common land yet a large section has now been commercialised and the public have to pay to access it as an event location.

We would like to know:

- a) Why has Cambridge city council failed to register planning application 21/01392/FUL within 14 days of receipt as required by law under article 40 of the DMPO 2015?
- b) Whether city council has sold off Parker's Piece or is entertaining application 21/01392/FUL despite being prohibited from doing so by section 65 and section 327A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Either A or B must be true.
- c) Who was consulted about this? Does this relate to the Wider Cambridge Consortium's plans for the city centre as an event location?

Further to the Cambridge Labour Party manifesto commitment to 'Champion the elimination of herbicides on public land, including grass verges, and work towards being a herbicide-free city' (1), The Making Cambridge a Pesticide Free City motion in July 2019 (2) and the City Council Biodiversity Emergency Declaration in 2019 can the City Council give us your assurance that this spring will be the last time herbicides are applied to road verges, footways and street infrastructure on both City Council land and that managed by the City on behalf of the County Council?

The 2019 motion (2) gives a date of 'end of 2022' to phase out pesticide use but, two years on, the Biodiversity Emergency worsens, and alternatives have been in use for some years now (3). Can we not end city council herbicide use now, as have many other towns (4)?

(1) page 11 of <a href="https://www.cambridgelabour.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/117/2021/04/Manifesto-2021-web-site-1.pdf">https://www.cambridgelabour.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/117/2021/04/Manifesto-2021-web-site-1.pdf</a> (2)

https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=116&Mld=3600&Ver=4

- (3) https://www.pan-uk.org/information-for-local-authorities/
- (4) https://www.pan-uk.org/make-my-town-pesticide-free/

9.

Regarding the City Council trialling the new 'cut and collect' mowing regime can the council please tell us

- 1) precisely which verges have been put into the 'cut and collect' trial?
- 2) Barnwell verge is, we believe, part of this trial yet large areas of flowers have been mown very recently (since 17th May) was that a mistake or just the first phase of lowering the verge's soil fertility? If the latter then surely this has been done far too late this spring?

Many residents are deeply concerned - even angered - when swathes of flowers are cut down like this. We know the council is committed to mowing less and creating pollinator corridors, but the situation on Barnwell verge makes for a mixed message.

#### **Oral Questions**

#### Question 1

To: Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment & City

Centre

From: Cllr Lucy Nethsingha

Please could the Leader let me know how long the Covid Marshals will be working in the City?

#### Question 2

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and

Community Wellbeing

From: Cllr Markus Gehring

Given that our open spaces have become more important over the last year and given that we are facing a climate emergency does the Executive Councillor agree that public water sources are an indispensable public infrastructure?

#### Question 3

To: Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment & City

Centre

From: Cllr Olaf Hauk

Could the Executive Councillor please explain why the Market Square consultation has opened with questions relating to the demountable stalls, when it appears that no example of this has been provided for members of the public and traders to test on site.

#### Question 4

To: Leader of the Council From: Cllr Haf Davies

Has the Leader had a reply to his letter about the EU settlement scheme?

#### Question 5

To: Executive Councillor for Communities

From: Cllr Martin Smart

What are the plans for the future of the food hubs post-pandemic?

#### Question 6

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing

From: Cllr Michael Bond

Following the recent successful bid to the council for developer funding to provide a wildflower meadow in the Five Trees open space In East Chesterton which I have actively campaigned for, can the Executive Councillor provide news of the nature of scheme that is now proposed, any local consultation that is envisaged and the potential timing of implementation?

#### Question 7

To: Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment & City

Centre

From: Cllr Carina O'Reilly

What has been achieved in 2021 to date in assisting city centre and Market food and drink businesses to increase operations and space for customers outdoors?

## Question 8

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and

Community Wellbeing From: Cllr Alan Cox

Given that Hobson's Park in Trumpington has finally been legally transferred to the City Council, can the Executive Councillor explain how it will be managed?

#### Question 9

To: Executive Councillor for Planning & Transport

From: Cllr David Baigent

How have the City Council's transport plans changed as result of the election of a Labour mayor of the combined authority and the change of control at Cambridgeshire County Council?

Lead Officer: Robert Pollock Supporting Officer: Andrew Limb

#### Question 10

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and

Community Wellbeing From: Cllr Katie Porrer

Could the Executive Councillor for Open Spaces explain whether Cambridge City Council has taken part in No Mow May this year?

#### Question 11

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and

Community Wellbeing

From: Cllr Jennifer Page-Croft

Does the Executive Councillor still agree with the July 2nd 2019 motion unanimously passed at full council, regarding reducing herbicides use across the city.

#### Question 12

To: Leader of the Council From: Cllr Richard Robertson What does the leader see as the biggest opportunities for Cambridge following the election of a labour mayor, and a change of administration at the county council?

#### Question 13

To: Executive Councillor for Planning & Transport

From: Cllr Jamie Dalzell

Would the Executive Councillor recommend that residents pay for the pre-application service when seeking planning permission for house extensions?

#### Question 14

To: Executive Cllr Climate Change, Environment and City Centre From: Cllr Hannah Copley

With respect to the market square proposals that opened to public consultation recently, it has been stated that one of the key design proposals is for new demountable, yet durable, market stalls, which meet the needs of traders, while being easy to take down/ put up. I understand from some market traders that they believe that no type of demountable market stall would be suitable for their businesses, and thus would not meet their needs. Could the executive therefore clarify how this can be a key design proposal if the market traders are not in agreement that demountable stalls are compatible with their businesses? Could the executive also confirm that if a trial period is undertaken, and the market traders find that the stalls trialled are not suitable for their business, that the renovations will proceed with non-demountable stalls so that the traders affected can continue their businesses?

#### Question 15

To: Executive Councillor for Communities

From: Cllr Simon Smith

What support is being provided for those facing digital poverty?

#### Question 16

To: Executive Councillor for Housing

From: Cllr Ingrid Flaubert

Is there any way the city council can help residents of new housing in Trumpington who are suffering consistently poor internet connectivity, either by taking action itself or by advocating urgent attention by other organisations?

Question 17

To: Executive Councillor for Housing

From: Cllr Gerri Bird

What progress is being made with the building of Passivhaus council homes?

Question 18

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and

Community Wellbeing From: Cllr Tim Bick

Could the Executive Councillor explain why the opportunity for public consultation, requested by ward councillors and agreed to by officers, over the proposed Observation Wheel on Parker's Piece did not take place before the Wheel was erected and started operating this week?

Question 19

To: Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and

Community Wellbeing From: Cllr Daniel Lee

Could the Executive Councillor please provide some insight into why the pavilion in Nightingale Avenue Park, which was approved and scheduled for demolition in April 2019 by the previous council, is still standing after its most recent demolition date in April this year?

## Agenda item 13a

# Councillor Moore proposed the following amendments to motion (deleted text struck through and additional text underlined).

Humans have already caused irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt in the UK and around the world. Global temperatures have increased by 1 degree Celsius from pre-industrial levels. Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> levels are above 400 parts per million (ppm) and continue to rise. This far exceeds the 350 ppm deemed to be a safe level for humanity.

Without more significant and sustained action, the world is set to exceed the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C limit between 2030 and 2040.

The increase in harm caused by a rise of 2°C rather than 1.5°C is significant. This is described by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C published in October 2018. According to the IPCC, limiting heating to 1.5°C may still be possible with ambitious action from national and sub-national authorities, civil society, the private sector and local communities. The costs of failing to address this crisis will far outstrip the investments required to prevent it.

According to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Independent Commission on Climate Change, our area is at high risk from the effects of climate change and face a future of flooding, heatwaves and water shortages, and our region has such high emissions we will have "exhausted all of our 'allowed' share of emissions to 2050" in just six years unless drastic action is taken now. Investing now will bring many benefits in the form of good jobs, breathable cities and thriving communities.

# Council states notes that:

- (i) All governments (national, regional and local) have a duty to do everything in their power to minimise and prevent Climate and Ecological breakdown. In keeping with this, the council has declared a climate emergency in February 2019 and a biodiversity emergency in May 2019.
- (ii) The council has set out a strategy for the council to reach net zero from its <u>own</u> direct emissions by 2030 which represent 1.1% of carbon emissions in Cambridge, and in declaring a Climate Emergency in

February 2019 called on government to make the investment and changes needed for Cambridge and the UK to reach net zero carbon.

- iii) The Environment Bill which is currently at the report stage in the House of Commons and could embed environmental accountability in UK law, is now long overdue in replacing the environmental legislation lost due to the UK leaving the European Union.
- iv) The Environment Bill does not go nearly far enough to protect biodiversity or to achieve the government's own net zero carbon ambitions and yet it is essential to have this new legislation passed into law.
- v) The government missed several opportunities to strengthen the Environment Bill by:
  - a) Rejecting Labour Party amendments such as on setting a minimum standard of protection on the production and use of chemical substances, maintaining the ban on bee-killing pesticides, ensuring the independence of the proposed environmental watchdog and enforcing World Health Organisation targets on air quality by 2030.
  - b) Rejecting two amendments from a cross party alliance which aimed to outline a clear objective for the Environment Bill to achieve and maintain a healthy, resilient and biodiverse natural environment that supports human health and to emphasise the sustainable use of resources. The second would have required the Secretary of State within six months of the Bill becoming law to report on the adequacy of current environmental law and policy in meeting the climate and ecological challenges the UK faces.
- vi) The report stage of the bill gives another opportunity to set clear objectives with a proposed amendment which restates that anyone exercising responsibilities in relation to the Environment Bill must comply with broader commitments, including any that come about from the vital UN biodiversity and climate change conferences, COP15 and COP26, this year.
- <u>vii)</u> (iii) There is <u>also</u> a <u>Presentation</u> Bill before Parliament—the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill (published as the "Climate and Ecology Bill"). <u>A Presentation Bill does not involve a debate or a vote in Parliament but is a way of drawing attention to an issue which requires a real change in the law.</u>

- which deserves the support of the Government, as it reassesses the urgency of the twin climate and ecological emergencies. According to the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill the Government must develop an emergency strategy that:
- (a)requires that the UK plays its fair and proper role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions consistent with limiting global temperature increase to 1.5 degrees C above pre-industrial temperatures;
- (b)ensures that all the UK's consumption emissions are accounted for; (c)includes emissions from aviation and shipping;
- (d)protects and restores biodiverse habitats along overseas supply chains;
- (e)restores and regenerates the UK's depleted soils, wildlife habitats and species populations to healthy and robust states, maximising their capacity to absorb CO<sub>2</sub> and their resistance to climate heating;
- (f) sets up an independent Citizens' Assembly, representative of the UK's population, to engage with Parliament and Government and help develop the emergency strategy.

Despite not being able to be enacted into law the CEE Bill has ambitious aims and principles however

- (a) the bill states that the UK must only use "natural climate solutions" to achieve net zero, excluding many of the technical solutions that are being developed, but in this climate emergency we need to use all solutions available to us to prevent further global warming.
- (b) it seeks to sets up a Citizens' Assembly which would bypass normal parliamentary processes and remove input from groups like affected workers and trade unions, therefore removing the likelihood of a just and equal transition that benefits all.

#### Council therefore resolves to:

- (i) Register our support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill
- (ii) Inform the local media of this decision;
- (iii) Write to our local MPs (Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire), urging them to support the Bill; and

(iv) Write to the <u>CEE Bill Alliance</u>, the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, expressing its support (<u>campaign@ceebill.uk</u>).

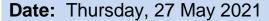
This Council therefore wishes to express its strong support for urgent climate action and the need for ambitious and comprehensive environment legislation and significant new national funding to match the scale of the climate emergency and jobs crisis we face by:

- 1. publicly expressing its support for the proposed amendments to the Environment Bill and the need for the bill to be enacted into law.
- 2. welcoming the CEE Bill for raising awareness and sharing ideas
- 3. publicly expressing its support for many of the aims of the CEE Bill by expressing strong support for proposals, such as Labour's Green Economic Recovery, which accelerate or increase investment in green infrastructure and jobs
- 4. increasing awareness of the carbon dioxide costs and impacts of everyday activities, and the ability and motivation to reduce emissions, on an individual, community and organisational basis through Carbon Literacy training for council staff, council members and local residents

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## Cambridge City Council

### **Civic Affairs**



Time: 12.00 pm or at the conclusion of the Annual Council Meeting

Venue: Corn Exchange, Cambridge

Contact: democratic.services@cambridge.gov.uk, tel:01223 457000

#### **Agenda**

Appointment of Working PartyTo agree membership of the following:

	Number of allocation
Chief Officer Performance Review	4 Labour
	2 Liberal Democrat
Councillors – Herbert, Moore, A.Smith, Collis	
Bick, Payne	
Reserve - Sheil	

Appointment of Sub CommitteeTo agree membership of the following:

	Number of allocation
<b>Employment Appeals Sub Committee</b>	Total 6
	4 Labour
	2 Liberal Democrat
Councillors – Healy, Robertson, Sargeant, Thornburrow	
Page-Croft, Bick	

Civic Affairs Members: Sargeant (Chair), Davey (Vice-Chair), Dryden, Flaubert, O'Reilly and Gehring

Alternates: Dalzell and Moore

### Cambridge City Council

### **Licensing Committee**

Date: Thursday, 27 May 2021

**Time:** 12.00 pm or at the conclusion of the Annual Council Meeting

Venue: Corn Exchange, Cambridge

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#### **Agenda**

1 Appointment of Sub Committees

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The Licensing Sub Committees will comprise 3 members and will be taken from the membership of the Licensing Committee.

The Licensing Sub Committees will be organised by the Committee Manager on a rotational basis.

The responsibilities delegated to the Sub Committees are set out over the page. Licensing Committee Members: Bird (Chair), McPherson (Vice-Chair), Bennett, Bond, Collis, Cox, Dryden, McQueen, Moore and Page-Croft

Alternates: Flaubert and Scutt

Subject area	Licensing Committee Decision	Sub Committee Decision	Officer Decision
Licensing Act 2003	To determine/ amend Statement of Licensing Policy  To approve changes to delegation to officers and there by amendment to the constitution	To determine any licensing application where a relevant representation has been made.  To determine an application to review a Premises Licence / Club Premises Certificate.  To determine an application for the Grant or Renewal of a Personal Licence if a Police objection is made.	To grant any licensing application where no relevant representation has been made.  To determine an application for the Grant or Renewal of a Personal Licence if no Police objection is made.
Gambling Act 2005	To determine/ amend Statement of Gambling Principles  To approve changes to delegation to officers and there by amendment to the constitution	To determine any application where a representation from the responsible authorities and/or person(s) has been made	To grant any application where no representation from the responsible authorities has been made
Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire vehicles	To determine/ amend policies  To set fare charges for Hackney carriages	To determine to suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or renew a vehicle licence, if the vehicle is not fit for purpose or does	To issue licences that do not need a sub committee decision

		not meet the criteria set out in the policy	
Hackney / Private Hire Drivers	To determine/ amend policies	To determine to suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or renew a driver licence, if the driver is not fit and proper or does not meet the criteria set out in the policy	To issue licences that do not need a sub committee decision
Private Hire Operators	To determine/ amend policies	To determine to suspend, revoke, refuse to issue or renew an operator's licence, if the operator is not fit and proper or does not meet the criteria set out in the policy	To issue licences that do not need a sub committee decision
Sex Establishment Venues	To determine/ amend policy	To determine an application, where relevant objections have been received	To determine an application, where no relevant objections have been received
Market and Street Trading	To determine/ amend policy	To determine a application for a consent if there is a contested application for street trading	To determine a application for a consent if there is no contested application
Miscellaneous	If there is a requirement to make by- laws or have a particular policy  To agree licensing fees where required to be locally set		All delegated to Officers

### Cambridge City Council

# **Environment and Community Scrutiny CITY COUNCIL Committee**

Date: Thursday, 27 May 2021

Time: 12.00 pm or at the conclusion of the Annual Council Meeting

Venue: Corn Exchange, Cambridge

Contact: democratic.services@cambridge.gov.uk, tel:01223 457000

#### **Agenda**

1 Appointment to Outside Bodies

The Scrutiny Committee is recommended to support the appointments to the outside bodies listed below.

The Executive Councillor for Communities and the Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment and City Centre and the Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing, are asked to agree the following appointments.

	Number of allocation
The Junction (Observer Status)	1 Labour
, ,	1 Liberal Democrat
Councillors – Lab TBC, Lee	

	Number of allocation
Cambridge BID	1 Labour
Councillor – Moore	

	Number of allocation
Health and Wellbeing Board	1 Labour
Councillor - Healy	

	Number of allocation
Health Committee	1 Labour
	1 Liberal Democrat
Councillor – Healy	
Alternate Member – TBC	

	Number of allocation
Cambridge Community Safety	1 Labour
Partnership	
Councillor – Collis	
Alternate Member - Moore	

	Number of allocation
Cambridgeshire Police and Crime	1 Labour
Panel	1 Labour Alt
Councillor – D. Baigent	
Alternate Councillor – S. Baigent	

Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors	1 Labour
Councillor - Healy	

	Number of allocation
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	1 Labour
Military Covenant Board	
Councillor – Davey	

	Number of allocation
Clay Farm Advisory Group	1 Labour, 1 Lib Dem
Councillors – TBC	

	Number of allocation
Cambridge East Community Forum	1 Labour
Councillor – A.Smith	

	Number of allocation
North West and West Quadrant	1 Labour
Community Forum	
Councillor – Thornburrow	

	Number of allocation
Storey's Field Community Trust	2 Labour
-	1 Lib Dem
Councillors – Thornburrow, S. Smith,	
Nethsingha	

	Number of allocation
Recycling in Cambridge and	1 Labour
Peterborough (RECAP)	
Councillor – Moore	

**Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee Members:** H. Davies (Chair), Healy (Vice-Chair), S. Baigent, Copley, Hauk, O'Reilly, Page-Croft, Payne and Sweeney

Alternates: Bond, Gilderdale and Sheil

**Executive Councillors:** Collis (Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing), Moore (Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment and City Centre) and A. Smith (Executive Councillor for Communities)

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### Cambridge City Council

### **Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee**

Date: Thursday, 27 May 2021

Time: 12.00 pm or at the conclusion of the Annual Council Meeting

Venue: Corn Exchange, Cambridge

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#### **Agenda**

Appointment to Working Party
The Scrutiny Committee is requested to agree the appointments below:

	Number of allocation
Joint Local Planning Advisory Group	2 Labour
	1 Liberal Democrat
Councillors – Thornburrow, S.Smith	
Bick	
Reserve – Gawthrope Wood, Porrer	

2 Appointment to Outside Bodies

To recommend appointments to the outside body listed below.

The Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Transport is be asked to agree the appointments below.

	Number of allocation
Members Cycling and Pedestrian	5 Labour
Steering Group	3 Liberal Democrat
Councillors – Robertson, D. Baigent, Pounds, Lab TBC, Lab TBC	
Dalzell, Flaubert, Nethsingha,	

**Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee Members:** D. Baigent (Chair), S. Smith (Vice-Chair), Bick, Bond, S. Davies, Wood, Porrer, Pounds and Scutt

Alternates: Hauk, O'Reilly and Sargeant

**Executive Councillors:** Collis (Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Sustainable Food and Community Wellbeing) and Thornburrow (Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Transport)

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### Cambridge City Council



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#### **Agenda**

1 Appointment to Outside Bodies

The Scrutiny Committee is requested to recommend appointments to the outside bodies listed below.

The Leader and the Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources will be asked to agree the appointments.

	Number of allocation
Greater Cambridge Partnership	1 Labour
<b>Executive Board</b>	1 Labour Alternate
Councillor – Herbert (up to and including	
the GCP Board meeting on 1 July 2021),	
(D. Baigent from 2 July 2021)	
Alternate Councillor - Thornburrow	

	Number of allocation
Local Government Information Unit	1 Labour
Councillor – Thornburrow	

	Number of allocation
East of England Local Government	1 Labour
Association	
Councillor – Davey	

	Number of allocation
LGA General Assembly	1 Labour
Councillor – Herbert	

	Number of allocation
Horizons Board	1 Labour
Councillor – Robertson	

	Number of allocation
Cambridge Investment Partnership	2 Labour
Councillor – Davey, Todd-Jones	

	Number of allocation
Brexit Advisory Group (joint with	2 Labour
South Cambridgeshire District	1 Liberal Democrat
Council)	
Councillors – Lab TBC, Lab TBC,	
Gehring	
Alternate - Lee	

	Number of allocation
Joint Economic Recovery Panel (with	2 Labour
South Cambridgeshire District	1 Liberal Democrat
Council)	
Councillors - Scutt, Gawthrope Wood, Dalzell	

	Number of allocation
District Councils Network	1 Labour
Councillor – Herbert	

### 2 Appointment to Working Parties

The Scrutiny Committee is requested to agree the appointments below:

	Number of allocation
Equalities Panel	3 Labour
_	2 Liberal Democrat
Councillors - Healy Lab TBC, Lab TBC,	
Lib Dem TBC, Lib Dem TBC	

	Number of allocation
Joint Staff Employment Forum	3 Labour
	2 Liberal Democrat
	2 Alternates
Councillors - Lab TBC (Chair), Moore	

(Vice-Chair), Lab TBC, Lab TBC, Bick, Hauk	
Davey (Ex-Officio)	
Alternate Councillor – Lab TBC, Porrer	

**Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Members:** Robertson (Chair), H. Davies (Vice-Chair), Bick, Dalzell, Healy, S. Smith

Alternates: Scutt, O'Reilly, Payne

Davey (Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources) and Herbert (Leader / Executive Councillor for Strategy and External Partnerships)